## California Secure Choice Retirement Savings Investment Board

## Program Administrator and Investment Manager Request for Proposal Discussion

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#### Section 1.

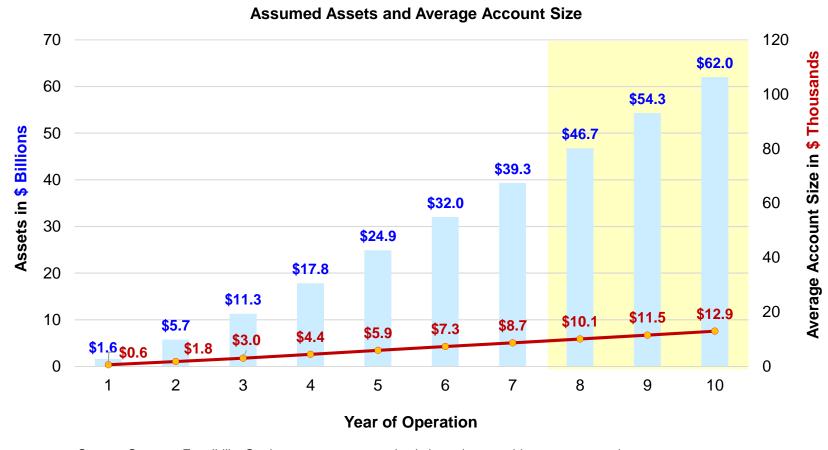
#### **Program Fees**

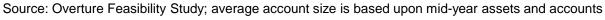




#### **Average Account Size**

#### Average account size will be a key driver of Program Administration Fees





Yellow shading represents a three-year optional renewal period assuming a seven-year contract





#### **Fee Components**

• Total Fees charged to Program Participants typically include:

Fee Component	Cost It Covers	Who It's Paid To		
Investment Expense	Underlying investment	Investment Manager		
Program Administration and/or Account Maintenance	Recordkeeping, customer service, marketing and other services associated with administering the Program	Program Administrator		
State Administration	Program staff, consultants, lawyers, auditor, marketing and additional internal expenses  Also includes repayment of any State loans	State		





#### **Options for Program Administration Fees**

- Asset-based Fees generate more dollars as account size increases
- Fixed Dollar Fees as a percentage of total account balance decline over time
- Impact of *purely hypothetical* Fees on Program Participants is shown below:

Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	10
Average Account	\$609	\$1,826	\$3,045	\$4,429	\$5,920	\$7,310	\$8,680	\$12,947
Asset-based Fee (%)	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%
Dollar Equivalent (\$)	\$6.09	\$18.26	\$30.45	\$44.29	\$59.20	\$73.10	\$86.80	\$129.47
Fixed Dollar Fee (\$)	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50
Percentage Equivalent (%)	8.21%	2.74%	1.64%	1.13%	0.84%	0.68%	0.58%	0.39%

Source: Overture Feasibility Study (Average Accounts only)

Asset-based and Fixed Dollar Fees are for illustrative purposes only





#### **Another View of Program Administration Fees**

- Asset-based Fees generate more dollars from Large Accounts presumably for the same services delivered to Small Accounts
- Fixed Dollar Fees disproportionately impact Small Accounts
- Impact of purely hypothetical Fees on Small or Large Accounts is shown below:

Fee Structure			Account	Large Account \$20,000		
		Dollar Percentage Equivalent Equivalent		Dollar Equivalent	Percentage Equivalent	
Asset-based	1.00%	\$10		\$200		
Fixed Dollar	\$50		5.00%		0.25%	





#### **Board Considerations for the RFP**

- Allow Bidders to propose Asset-based or Fixed Dollar Fees
  - RFP will solicit breakpoints for Fees
  - Notwithstanding different Fee structures, cost proposals will be evaluated on an equivalent basis
- Possible RFP outcomes include:
  - Select a winning bid and accept Program Administration Fees as proposed
  - Select a winning bid and elect to offset Program Administration Fees by utilizing State Ioan
  - Reject all bids if proposed Program Administration Fees are too high





# Section 2. Standard Agreement Comments





#### **Consistency of Comments**

- Standard of Care
  - Concerns expressed about serving as a fiduciary to the Board, the Program, the Trust and Account Owners
  - Section 100002 (d) of the Secure Choice Act sets forth that the "Board, the program administrator and staff, including contracted administrators and consultants, shall discharge their duties as fiduciaries..."
- Indemnification by the Contractor
  - Concerns expressed about the breadth of the indemnification (e.g., no limitations set by a standard of care, negligence, willful misconduct or fraud, among others)
  - Current provision is generally consistent with the State's General Terms and Conditions, which cannot be changed without DGS approval
- Liability of the Contractor
  - Concerns expressed about lack of limitations on costs associated with indemnification (e.g., costs due to the State's negligence or willful misconduct, or for consequential, indirect or punitive damages)
  - Board may consider the concerns but any limitations would be subject to DGS approval



